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MR. SPEAKER : கனம் மந்திரி அவர்கள் இந்த ஸ்டேட்மெண்ட் கொடுத்த பிறகு எந்தவிதமான கேள்வியோ அல்லது திருத்தமோ செய்யக்கூடாது என்று 81–வது விதியில் சொல்லப்பட்டிருக்கிறது. இதை தாங்கள் தயவு செய்து கேட்டுக்கொள்ளவேண்டும். இந்த ஸ்டேட்மெண்ட் விவாதத்திற்கு வரும்போது கேள்விகள் கேட்கலாம் அல்லது திருத்தப் பிரேரணைகள் கொடுக்கலாம். இந்த நேரத்தில் அப்படி ஒன்றும் செய்யக் கூடாது.

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, I shall try to have the English copy of the statement circulated to the Members before the House rises to-day. I shall also try to get the Tamil version of the statement circulated to the Members on the 28th morning.

V.—BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE *RE* BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE'S DECISION ON THE SITTINGS OF THE PRESENT SESSION.

MR. SPEAKER : The Hon. Leader of the House, however dissatisfied he is with the decisions of the Business Advisory Committee, will now place those decisions before the House for its approval.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Sir, the Business Advisory Committee met yesterday and the following recommendations have been made by it for the acceptance of this House.

" The House will sit up to and inclusive of the 16th November 1957." These dates have been fixed with reference to the elections which have got to take place to the Council of States.

" The House will sit from 9 a.m. to 1-30 p.m. from the 26th October 1957 onwards.

The 31st October 1957, the 7th and the 14th November 1957 are allotted for the transaction of non-official business."

The statement made by the Hon. Minister for Home this morning on the law and order situation in Ramanathapuram district will be discussed on the 28th and 29th October 1957.

" The White Paper " on Local Administration will be considered on the 4th and 5th November 1957.

The Report of the Legislature Committee on Education will be considered on the 6th and 8th November 1957.

Government Bills will be taken on the following days :—

26th October 1957	The Madras District Boards (Amendment) Bill, 1957.
30th October 1957	The Motor Vehicles (Madras Amendment) Bill, 1957.
1st November 1957 and	The Madras (Transferred Territory) Re-enacting Bill, 1957.

2nd November 1957	**The Madras Repealing and Amending Bill, 1957.**
	The Madras (Transferred Territory) Extension of Laws Bill.
	The Madras Registration of Veterinary Practitioners Bill, 1957. (As passed by the Council.)
	The Madras Money Lenders Bill, 1957.

Then, we have the Supplementary Statement of Expenditure for 1957–58. In accordance with the assurrance which I had already given, viz., that the supplementary grants will not be sought once for all towards the end of the year, but they will be placed before the House at least twice—once during the November-December session and again during the budget session, the following programme has been fixed :—

" Presentation of the Supplementary Statement of Expenditure.	**Monday, 11th November 1957.**
General discussion and Voting of Demands for Grants.	**Friday, 15th November 1957.**
Consideration of the Appropriation Bill ..	**Saturday, 16th November 1957."**

I hope the House will agree to the programme recommended by the Business Advisory Committee.

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Sir, I had suggested that the Language Commission report may be taken up for discussion in this House. May I know whether any provision has been made for that?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : That is the difficulty of not attending the Business Advisory Committee meeting. I hope that the hon. Member will give us the benefit of his presence at least in future meetings of the Committee. We do not have sufficient number of copies of the report of the Language Commission for purposes of study and discussion here now. I have, however, made a suggestion that I may informally meet the Leaders of all parties and discuss this subject and decide what action should be taken in the Assembly as such. I hope the hon. Member Sri Kalyanasundaram will be satisfied with the procedure to be adopted by me in this matter.

SRIMATHI T. N. ANANDANAYAKI : Sir, 28th and 29th October 1957 have been allotted for the discussion of the No Confidence Motion. Now, it is stated that the statement of the Hon. Minister for Home will also be discussed on the 28th and 29th October 1957. So . . .

MR. SPEAKER : I presume that in the discussion on the No Confidence Motion, all those items will figure in the speeches made by the hon. Members. Therefore, allotment of separate dates

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for the discussion of the report may not be necessary. Anyway, let us see the trend of discussion on the 28th and 29th October 1957 and then we can decide.

I suppose the House agrees with the recommendations of the Business Advisory Committee.

The recommendations of the Business Advisory Committee were put and carried.

VI.—GOVERNMENT BILLS.

(1) THE MADRAS GENERAL SALES TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1957.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to present the Report[a] of the Select Committee on the Madras General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1957 (L.A. Bill No. 10 of 1957).

(2) THE MADRAS DISTRICT BOARDS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1957.

MR. SPEAKER : The Hon. Srimathi Lourdhammal Simon will move the Bill.

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : The amendments given notice of by hon. Members have not yet been circulated.

MR. SPEAKER : Sri Kalyanasundaram's amendment is with me here. There is another amendment given notice of by Sri N. K. Palanisami. The difficulty was, as usual, the Bill appeared in the *Fort St. George Gazette* and the Assembly Secretariat could not get sufficient number of copies. It was presumed that the publication in the Gazette was enough. Evidently, hon. Members did not read the Gazette thoroughly. In the circumstances, I will allow hon. Members to give notice of amendments up to 11-30 a.m. to-day.

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to introduce the Madras District Boards (Amendment) Bill[b], 1957, and move—

"that the Bill be taken into consideration at once."

The House may be aware that the term of office of the Members of all district boards in this State will expire on 31st October 1957, afternoon. While moving Demand No. XXVI during the last budget session, I made a statement about the future of district boards in this State. Therein I stated that the Government proposed to introduce a Bill during this session with a view to authorising the postponement of elections to these bodies which have now fallen due. The reason which prompted the Government to take this decision was that it is likely that some time next year, district boards would have to be abolished altogether or reconstituted in a manner different from that at present in force and that the time.

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a Printed as Appendix on pages 78–81 infra.

b Published in the *Fort St. Gexrge Gazctte* Extraordinary, dated 16th October 1957.